GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7106
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GAUGE CONVERSION OF VM-VKM-KPD SECTION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to convert Metre Gauge section VM-VKM-KPD into Broad Gauge;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when the work is likely to start;

(c) whether there is any proposal to shift a part of the said track during conversion to the VPM-TPJ chord line; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Gauge conversion of Villupuram-Katpadi (161 kms) Metre Gauge line has already been sanctioned and work has also started.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.